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## MONTHLY BUSINESS INDICATORS VICTORIA, SEPTEMBER 1989

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### ACTUAL PRIVATE NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

*State Estimates of Private New Capital Expenditure* (5646.0) (quarterly) (\$7.50)

### EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES

*Average Weekly Earnings, States and Australia* (6302.0) (quarterly) (\$8.00)

*Award Rates of Pay Indexes, Australia* (6312.0) (monthly) (\$8.00)

*Job Vacancies, Australia* (6231.0) (quarterly) (\$3.00)

*Overtime, Australia* (6330.0) (quarterly) (\$3.00)

*The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0) (monthly) (\$12.00)

### PRICES

*Consumer Price Index* (6401.0) (quarterly) (\$8.00)

*Price Index of Materials Used in Building Other Than House Building, Six State Capital Cities and Darwin* (6407.0) (monthly) (\$8.00)

*Price Index of Materials Used in House Building, Six State Capital Cities* (6408.0) (monthly) (\$3.25)

### BUILDING

*Building Activity, Australia* (8752.0) (quarterly) (\$11.50)

*Building Approvals, Australia* (8731.0) (monthly) (\$8.00)

### RETAIL TRADE

*Retail Trade, Australia* (8501.0) (monthly) (\$8.00)

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### PRODUCTION

*Monthly Summary of Statistics, Victoria* (1303.2) (\$7.50)

### NEW MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS

*Motor Vehicle Registrations, Australia* (9303.0) (monthly) (\$8.00)

### BANKS

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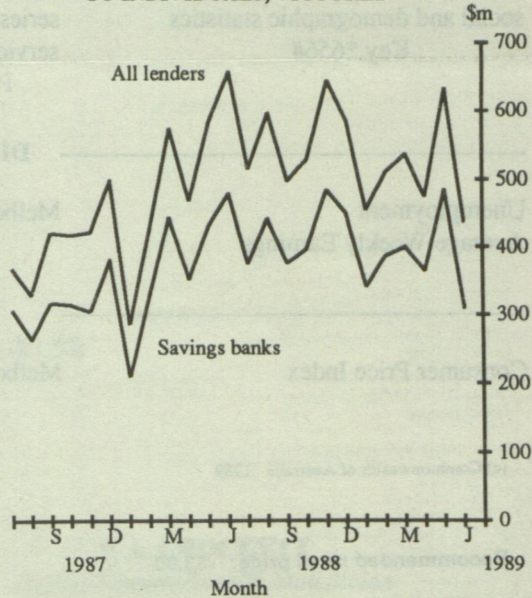
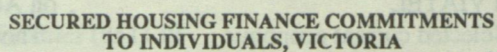
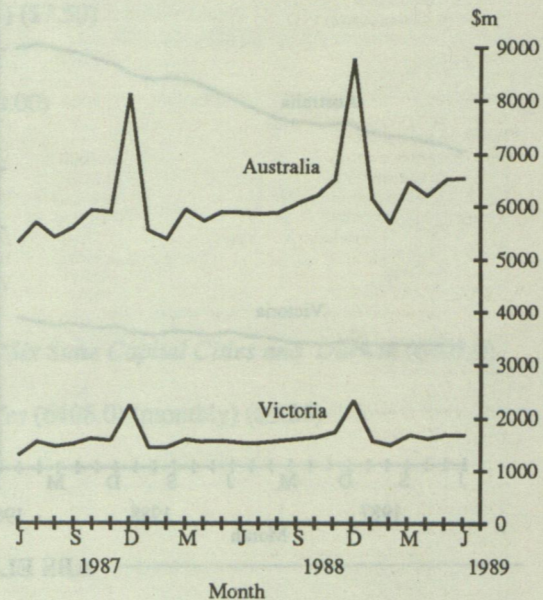
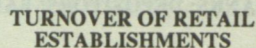
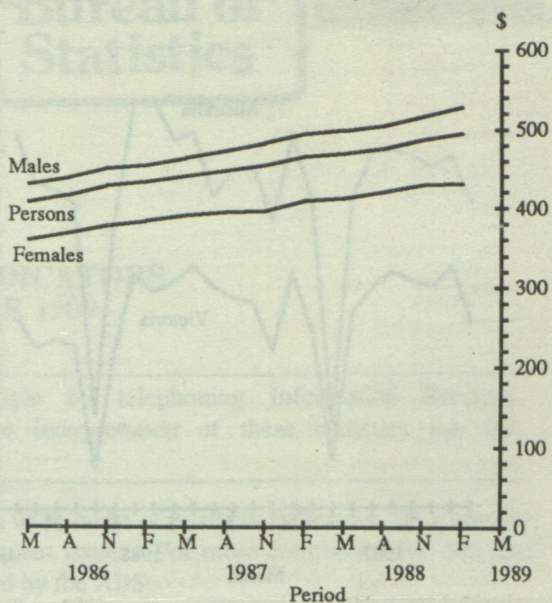


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Indicator		Latest period	Latest figure	Figures for preceding three periods			Figure one year ago	Change over year per cent	Latest Aust. figure	Change over year Aust. per cent	
				One period	Two periods	Three periods					
LABOUR FORCE											
Employed persons	- full-time	'000	Aug 89	1,625.1	1,630.5	1,621.4	1,630.6	1,551.7	4.7	6,108.9	4.0
	- total	'000	Aug 89	2,049.8	2,055.0	2,051.0	2,054.6	1,930.5	6.2	7,727.6	5.1
Unemployed persons looking for work	- full-time	'000	Aug 89	67.2	68.2	69.8	77.1	89.7	-25.1	370.1	-16.9
	- total	'000	Aug 89	93.6	96.3	96.0	108.5	114.9	-18.5	469.4	-12.9
Labour force		'000	Aug 89	2,143.4	2,151.3	2,147.0	2,163.1	2,045.4	4.8	8,197.0	3.9
Participation rate		per cent	Aug 89	63.3	63.6	63.6	64.1	61.4	3.1	62.7	1.8
Unemployment rate		per cent	Aug 89	4.4	4.5	4.5	5.0	5.6	-21.4	5.7	-16.2
Job vacancies		'000	May qr 89	24.1	21.2	19.5	18.1	18.6	29.6	73.1	25.0
Overtime worked per employee		hours	May qr 89	1.57	1.52	1.56	1.45	1.54	1.9	1.46	5.8
AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS											
Full-time adult ordinary time earnings -		\$	Feb qr 89	494.90	487.00	475.90	469.30	465.50	6.3	492.30	14.6
Males		\$	Feb qr 89	528.40	516.60	504.40	498.30	493.90	7.0	521.90	14.9
Females		\$	Feb qr 89	430.80	429.20	420.10	412.20	409.30	5.3	431.30	14.8
All employees total earnings		\$	Feb qr 89	435.10	429.60	417.00	414.90	414.40	5.0	436.30	14.4
Males		\$	Feb qr 89	512.20	503.30	486.30	483.50	476.30	7.5	511.60	15.1
Females		\$	Feb qr 89	336.50	333.40	324.60	322.70	326.70	3.0	334.80	15.1
CONSUMER PRICES (a)											
Consumer Price Index, Melbourne (1980-81=100) -											
Food	index		Jun qr 89	190.8	183.9	182.3	179.5	174.0	9.7	186.2	9.3
Clothing	index		Jun qr 89	181.1	177.3	177.5	171.2	170.3	6.3	180.8	6.3
Housing	index		Jun qr 89	218.9	207.3	204.5	193.7	189.1	15.8	208.1	15.1
Household equipment & operation	index		Jun qr 89	185.0	182.3	181.1	178.6	176.8	4.6	185.0	5.1
Transportation	index		Jun qr 89	189.0	184.5	181.3	181.1	180.8	4.5	198.2	5.3
Tobacco & alcohol	index		Jun qr 89	209.8	204.8	201.9	201.9	199.1	5.4	214.6	5.7
Health & personal care	index		Jun qr 89	205.0	203.7	192.6	192.6	190.8	7.4	192.1	7.2
Recreation & education (Mar qr 1982=100)	index		Jun qr 89	167.9	165.4	163.7	161.1	160.4	4.7	165.0	5.2
All groups	index		Jun qr 89	193.8	188.7	186.2	183.0	180.4	7.4	192.6	7.6
RETAIL SALES (excl. motor vehicles, etc)	\$m		Jun 89	1,665.9	1,680.3	1,606.4	1,687.8	1,562.8	6.6	6,543.0	11.5
PRODUCTION											
Manufacturing -											
Clay bricks	million		May 89	45.0	36.4	33.1	35.7	44.1	2.0	205	8.5
Ready mixed concrete	'000 cu.m		May 89	434	394	370	403	334	29.9	1,555	11.6
Plastics & synthetic resins (b)	tonnes		May 89	39,182	35,805	32,924	37,577	39,713	-1.3	61,005	2.1
Textile floor coverings	'000 sq.m		May 89	3,312	2,886	3,004	3,040	3,419	-3.1	4,207	6.8
Cars & station wagons	'000		May 89	16.1	13.5	14.2	13.6	17.3	-6.9	31.3	9.8
Yarns - Cotton	tonnes		May 89	990	888	951	798	773	28.1	2,259	33.8
- Wool	tonnes		May 89	1,342	1,216	1,284	1,342	1,453	-7.6	1,803	-12.9
Woven fabric - Cotton	'000 sq.m		May 89	1,989	1,694	1,421	1,355	1,474	34.9	3,767	14.0
- Woollen (incl worsted wool)	'000 sq.m		May 89	471	420	514	484	523	-9.9	795	-4.6
- Man-made fibres	'000 sq.m		May 89	7,626	6,113	7,092	7,591	6,605	15.5	18,026	22.4
Electricity	million kWh		May 89	3,043	3,064	3,279	2,967	2,520	20.8	12,420	5.5
OVERSEAS TRADE											
Imports	\$m		Jul 89	1,381.1	1,407.1	1,560.4	1,343.6	1,311.7	5.3	4,165.5	14.6
Exports (excl. re-exports)	\$m		Jul 89	824.1	736.2	771.4	748.1	712.8	15.6	3,825.1	24.8
BUILDING											
Approvals -											
New houses	No.		Jul 89	2,604	3,014	3,821	3,156	2,739	-4.9	8,527	-25.9
New other residential building	No.		Jul 89	156	571	295	200	436	-64.2	3,488	1.2
Value of all building	\$m		Jul 89	488.1	577.7	714.4	592.1	510.5	-4.4	2,040.9	-10.2
Commencements -											
New houses	No.		Mar qr 89	8,200	9,190	8,310	7,330	6,720	22.0	30,540	20.4
Value of new houses	\$m		Mar qr 89	665.6	760.0	652.0	557.0	520.2	28.0	2,430.3	37.7
New other residential buildings	No.		Mar qr 89	767	782	1,263	1,034	1,298	-40.9	9,833	24.4
Value of new other residential buildings	\$m		Mar qr 89	45.6	41.7	69.5	54.4	73.1	-37.6	737.8	79.2
Value of non-residential building	\$m		Mar qr 89	1,035.7	961.2	709.2	1,053.8	593.8	74.4	3,813.2	32.6
Value of all building	\$m		Mar qr 89	1,885.6	1,889.4	1,545.1	1,773.4	1,291.9	46.0	7,403.3	37.8
Work done in period	\$m		Mar qr 89	1,739.7	1,808.0	1,618.9	1,464.7	1,321.8	31.6	6,520.5	27.1
PRICE INDEXES OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING, MELBOURNE, ALL GROUPS - (c)											
House building (1985-86=100)	index		Jun 89	130.1	130.2	129.6	128.7	120.3	8.1	131.3	9.7
Other than house building (1979-80=100)	index		Jun 89	219.4	219.1	217.2	215.5	201.7	8.8	222.6	8.0
NEW MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS											
Cars & station wagons	No.		Jun 89	13,761	11,197	10,474	13,877	10,890	26.4	54,104	16.5
Other motor vehicles (excl. motor cycles)	No.		Jun 89	11,559	9,216	8,903	11,810	9,061	27.6	41,799	13.6
Motor cycles	No.		Jun 89	2,202	1,981	1,571	2,067	1,829	20.4	12,305	27.5
	No.		Jun 89	457	357	299	586	246	85.5	1,576	11.5
BANKS											
Savings - Depositors' balances at end of period	\$m		May 89	25,088	24,251	23,840	23,727	21,643	15.9	70,169	16.7
Major trading -											
Current deposits	\$m		May 89	6,243	6,217	6,440	6,629	5,658	10.3	19,648	4.6
Fixed deposits	\$m		May 89	11,435	11,308	10,393	9,665	7,279	57.1	39,903	41.3
Advances	\$m		May 89	16,313	15,941	15,326	14,933	14,745	10.6	54,861	15.7
Debits to customers' accounts (d)	\$m		May 89	36,821	35,428	31,778	34,378	36,420	1.1	196,205	12.7
HOUSING FINANCE FOR OWNER OCCUPATION											
Secured commitments to individuals -	\$m		Jun 89	435.0	632.1	473.8	536.5	657.0	-33.8	1,410.7	-44.0
Savings banks	\$m		Jun 89	308.6	484.0	363.6	399.1	478.7	-35.5	935.9	-45.4
Trading banks	\$m		Jun 89	32.1	55.4	39.4	54.9	49.2	-34.8	189.6	-33.7
Permanent building societies	\$m		Jun 89	40.2	41.7	38.1	43.0	91.0	-55.8	154.8	-63.0
Other lenders	\$m		Jun 89	54.1	50.9	32.7	39.5	38.1	42.0	130.4	28.1
ACTUAL NEW FIXED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE (e)											
Manufacturing	\$m		Mar qr 89	1,819	1,963	1,523	1,787	1,429	27.3	6,336	18.0
Finance	\$m		Mar qr 89	699	717	547	787	592	18.1	1,799	8.3
New building and structures	\$m		Mar qr 89	583	545	502	488	427	36.5	1,799	34.8
Other new capital equipment	\$m		Mar qr 89	564	620	518	556	405	39.3	2,269	24.1
	\$m		Mar qr 89	1,256	1,343	1,006	1,231	1,024	22.7	4,067	14.8

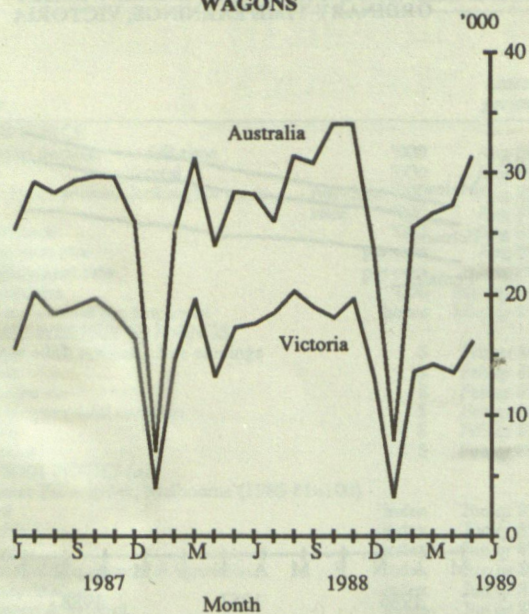
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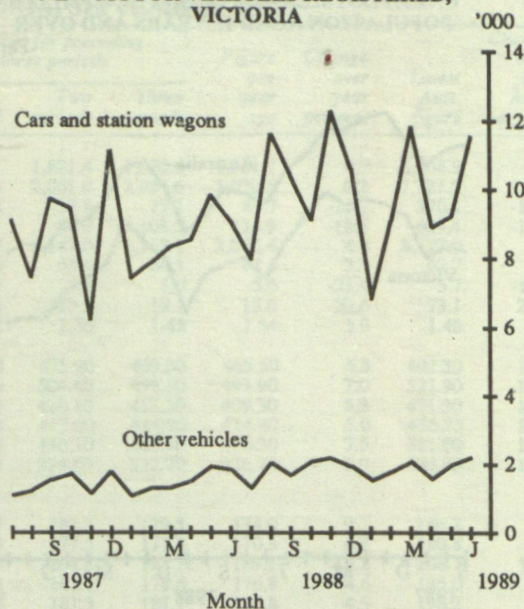




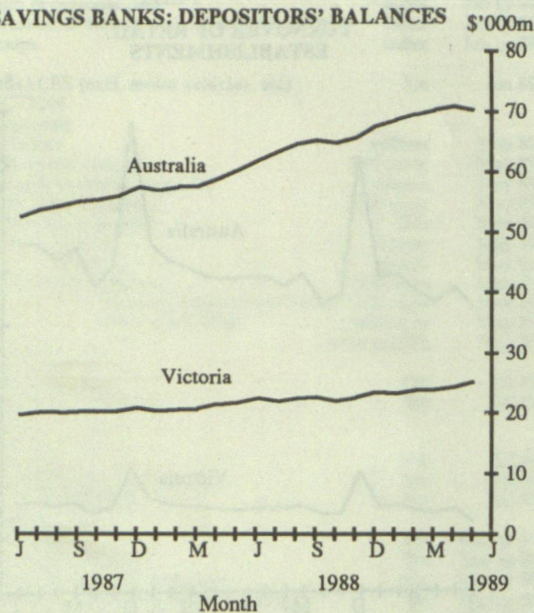
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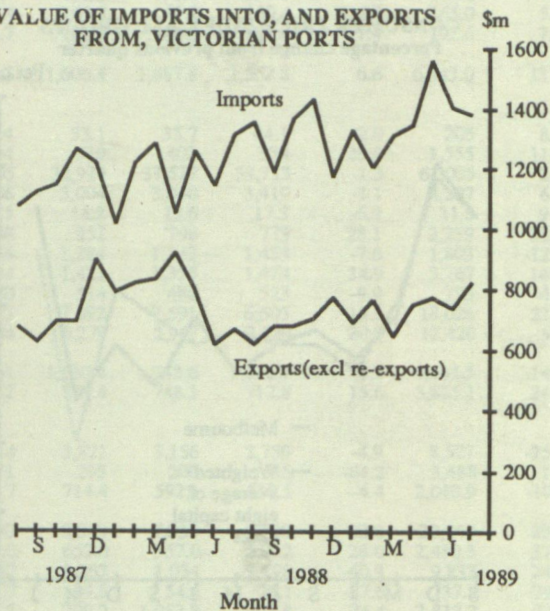
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